



**MAIL STOP  
AMENDMENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: R.D. Hibbs et al. Attorney Docket No.: HREL121731  
Application No.: 10/687,453 Art Unit: 3632 / Confirmation No: 8781  
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Title: APPARATUS FOR SECURING A CAP OF A CONTAINER TO AN  
EXTERNAL STRUCTURE

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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